REMARKS

Claims 1-9 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, the Abstract is replaced with a substitute Abstract and claims 2 and 5 are amended, and claims 10 and 11 are cancelled.

Applicant appreciates the Office Action's indication that claims 1 and 6-9 are allowed and that claims 2-5 contain allowable subject matter.

The Office Action objects to the specification. The Abstract is amended to obviate this objection.

The Office Action objects to the claims. Claims 2 and 5 are amended to obviate this objection.

The Office Action rejects claims 10 and 11 under JP 2001255761 to Tanaka. This rejection is moot.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

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Petition for Extension of Time

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